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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Steel Wire Garment Hangers from the People's Republic of China: Continuation of Antidumping Duty Order

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce

SUMMARY: As a result of the determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC) that revocation of the antidumping duty (AD) order on steel wire garment hangers (hangers) from the People's Republic of China (China) would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, Commerce is publishing this notice of continuation of the AD order.

DATES: Applicable [Insert date of publication in the *Federal Register*].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 6, 2008, Commerce published the AD order on hangers from China.¹ A continuation of the AD order was published on January 10, 2014, at the conclusion of the first

¹ See *Notice of Antidumping Duty Order: Steel Wire Garment Hangers from the People's Republic of China*, 73 FR 58111 (October 6, 2008) (*Order*).

five-year (sunset) review.² On February 5, 2019, Commerce initiated the second five-year (sunset) review of the *Order* pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).³ As a result of its review, Commerce determined, pursuant to sections 751(c)(1) and 752(c) of the Act, that revocation of the AD order on hangers from China would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping and, therefore, notified the ITC of the magnitude of the margins of dumping likely to prevail should the order be revoked.⁴ On August 21, 2019, the ITC published its determination, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the *Order* would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time.⁵

Scope of the *Order*

The merchandise that is subject to the order is steel wire garment hangers, fabricated from carbon steel wire, whether or not galvanized or painted, whether or not coated with latex or epoxy or similar gripping materials, and/or whether or not fashioned with paper covers or capes (with or without printing) and/or nonslip features such as saddles or tubes. These products may also be referred to by a commercial designation, such as shirt, suit, strut, caped, or latex (industrial) hangers. Specifically excluded from the scope of the order are wooden, plastic, and other garment hangers that are not made of steel wire. Also excluded from the scope of the order are chrome-plated steel wire garment hangers with a diameter of 3.4 mm or greater. The products subject to the order are currently classified under U.S. Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTSUS) subheadings 7326.20.0020, 7323.99.9060, and 7323.99.9080.

² See *Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order*, 79 FR 1829 (January 10, 2014).

³ See *Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews*, 84 FR 1704 (February 5, 2019).

⁴ See *Steel Wire Garment Hangers from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of the Expedited Second Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order*, 84 FR 27091 (June 11, 2019).

⁵ See *Steel Wire Garment Hangers from China: Determination*, 84 FR 43615 (August 21, 2019).

Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise is dispositive.

Continuation of the *Order*

As a result of the determinations by Commerce and the ITC that revocation of the *Order* would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, pursuant to section 751(d)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(a), Commerce hereby orders the continuation of the AD order on hangers from China. U.S. Customs and Border Protection will continue to collect cash deposits for estimated antidumping duties at the rates in effect at the time of entry for all imports of subject merchandise. The effective date of the continuation of the *Order* will be the date of publication in the *Federal Register* of this notice of continuation. Pursuant to section 751(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(c)(2), Commerce intends to initiate the next five-year review of the *Order* not later than 30 days prior to the fifth anniversary of the effective date of continuation.

Administrative Protective Order (APO)

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to APO of their responsibility concerning the return, destruction, or conversion to judicial protective order of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation of the APO which may be subject to sanctions.

Notification to Interested Parties

This five-year (sunset) review and this notice are in accordance with section 751(c) of the Act, and published pursuant to section 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(f)(4).

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Date

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